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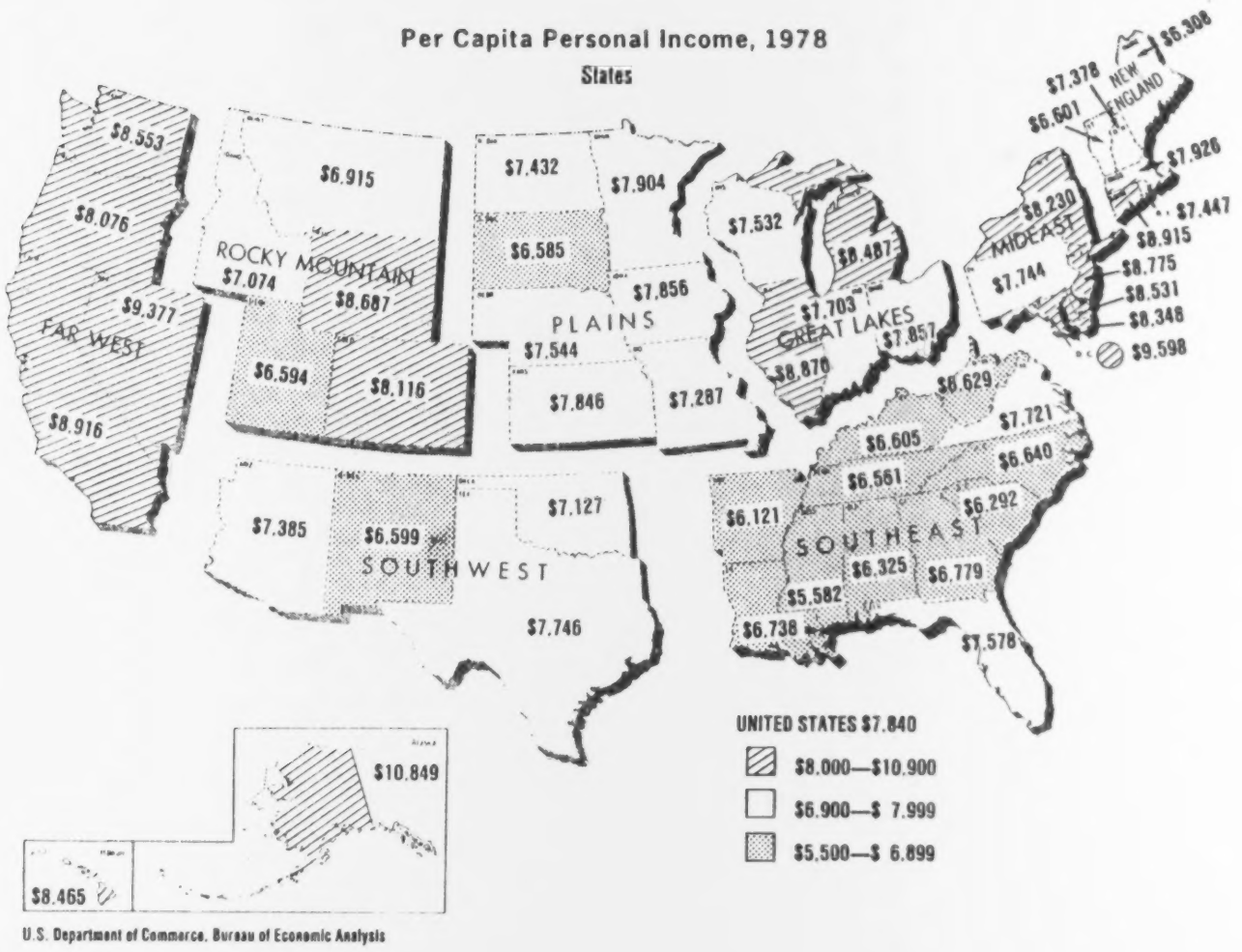

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ESTIMATES OF LABOR FORCE DATA [1]

(Job Seekers and Job Holders - by Residence)

September 1980

	Preliminary Sep 1980	Revised Aug 1980	Revised Sep 1979	Change From: Aug 1980	Change From: Sep 1979
NEBRASKA					
Civilian labor force	762,950	779,300	766,250	- 16,350	- 3,300
Employment	735,750	750,600	743,700	- 14,850	- 7,950
Unemployment	27,200	28,700	22,550	- 1,500	4,650
Unemployment rate [2]	3.6	3.7	2.9	xxx	xxx
OMAHA SMSA [3]					
Civilian labor force	277,200	278,450	278,150	- 1,250	- 950
Employment	264,250	265,100	266,300	- 850	- 2,050
Unemployment	12,950	13,350	11,850	- 400	1,100
Unemployment rate [2]	4.7	4.8	4.3	xxx	xxx
LINCOLN SMSA [4]					
Civilian labor force	112,650	109,200	110,550	3,450	2,100
Employment	109,200	105,750	107,850	3,450	1,350
Unemployment	3,450	3,450	2,700	0	750
Unemployment rate [2]	3.1	3.2	2.4	xxx	xxx

1/ Estimates are based on the March 1979 benchmark, and all months are comparable. Totals are rounded to the nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding.

2/ Ratios of unemployment to civilian labor force, based upon unrounded data.

3/ Douglas and Sarpy Counties in Nebraska and Pottawattamie County in Iowa are considered a single unit of residence for the SMSA concept only. The Nebraska portion of the labor force, estimated at 237,100 is included in the Nebraska total, but the Iowa portion, estimated at 40,100 is excluded from the Nebraska total.

4/ Defined as Lancaster County.

UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS

Nebraska's unemployment dropped by 1,500 from August 1980 to September 1980, reaching a new total of 27,200. The September 1980 total was 4,650 more than in September 1979. The unemployment rate edged downward from 3.7 percent in August 1980 to 3.6 percent in September 1980, and compared to 2.9 percent in September 1979.

Unemployment totals for the Omaha SMSA decreased by 400 from August 1980 to September 1980, but increased by 1,100 from September 1979. The unemployment rate dipped from 4.8 percent in August 1980 to 4.7 percent in September 1980, and compared to 4.3 percent in September 1979.

The number of unemployed in the Lincoln SMSA did not change from August 1980 to September 1980, but increased by 750 from September 1979. The unemployment rate, however, underwent a slight drop from 3.2 percent in August 1980 to 3.1 percent in September 1980, and compared to 2.4 percent in September 1979.

Nebraska's labor force is projected to increase by 600 from September 1980 to October 1980, reaching a new total of 763,550. The unemployment segment is projected as 26,000, while the employment segment is projected as 737,550.

ESTIMATES OF NEBRASKA NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT DATA [1/] [2/]

Job Count - Workers by Industry

INDUSTRY	Sep 1980 [3/]	Aug 1980 [4/]	Sep 1979 [4/]	Change From Aug 1980	Change From Sep 1979	Percent Change From Sep 1979
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY	628,850	623,700	635,700	5,150	-6,850	-1.1
MANUFACTURING	94,400	94,350	99,650	50	-5,250	-5.3
Durable goods	48,000	48,000	53,250	0	-5,250	-9.9
Construction material	4,850	4,900	5,600	- 50	- 750	-12.7
Lumber & wood products, except furniture	2,250	2,200	2,450	50	- 200	-7.5
Stone, clay, glass & concrete products	2,600	2,700	3,150	-100	- 550	-16.7
Furniture & fixtures	1,600	1,600	1,800	0	- 200	-11.2
Metals	8,750	8,900	9,900	-150	-1,150	-11.6
Primary metal industries	1,850	1,850	1,900	0	- 50	-1.8
Fabricated metal products, except machinery & transportation equip.	6,900	7,050	8,000	-150	-1,100	-13.9
Machinery except electrical	12,700	12,650	14,100	50	-1,400	-10.1
Farm machinery & equipment	7,600	7,350	8,300	250	- 700	-8.6
Electrical & electronic machinery, equipment & supplies	9,400	9,400	10,850	0	-1,450	-13.3
Transportation equipment	5,150	5,100	5,700	50	- 550	-9.8
Motor vehicles & motor vehicle equipment	2,400	2,400	3,050	0	- 650	-20.9
Other durable goods (including instruments; toys & sporting goods; costume jewelry & notions; etc.)	5,550	5,450	5,300	100	250	4.0
Nondurable goods	46,400	46,350	46,400	50	0	0
Food & kindred products	27,900	28,050	27,200	-150	700	2.4
Meat products	14,150	14,250	13,700	-100	450	3.3
Dairy products	1,900	1,850	1,900	50	0	-1.4
Grain mill	4,700	4,850	4,750	-150	-50	-1.2
Other food products (including canned & preserved products; bakery products; sugar & confectionery products; beverages; etc.)	7,150	7,100	6,850	50	300	4.1
Textile products & apparel	2,150	2,150	2,350	0	-200	-7.1
Printing, publishing & allied industries	7,550	7,500	7,500	50	50	1.1
Chemicals & allied products	2,650	2,650	2,500	0	150	6.0
Other nondurable goods (including rubber & miscellaneous plastics; paper & allied products; etc.)	6,150	6,000	6,850	150	-700	-10.4
NONMANUFACTURING	534,450	529,350	536,050	5,100	-1,600	-0.3
MINING	1,500	1,600	1,750	-100	-250	-13.4
CONSTRUCTION	34,050	35,050	36,850	-1,000	-2,800	-7.5
Building construction - general contractors & operative builders	9,600	9,950	10,450	-350	-850	-8.1
Construction other than building construction - general contractors	8,800	9,150	9,900	-350	-1,100	-10.8
Construction - special trade contractors	15,650	15,950	16,500	-300	-850	-5.2
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, ELECTRIC, GAS, & SANITARY SERVICES	46,250	46,400	47,500	-150	-1,250	-2.7
Railroad transportation	14,850	14,900	15,900	-50	-1,050	-6.6
Other transportation (including buses & taxicabs; motor freight transportation & warehousing; etc.)	14,750	14,900	15,150	-150	-400	-2.5
Communication & electric, gas, & sanitary services	16,650	16,600	16,450	50	200	1.0

TRADE	165,150	164,600	166,250	550	-1,100	-0.7
Wholesale	47,650	47,850	47,400	-200	250	0.6
Durable	24,350	24,550	24,900	-200	-550	-2.2
Nondurable	23,300	23,300	22,500	0	800	3.6
Retail	117,500	116,750	118,850	750	-1,350	-1.1
Building materials, hardware, garden supply, & mobile home dealers	5,950	6,100	6,000	-150	- 50	-0.4
General merchandise stores	15,050	15,000	16,050	50	-1,000	-6.3
Food stores	15,750	15,600	15,600	150	150	1.0
Automotive dealers & gasoline service stations	16,550	16,700	17,100	-150	-550	-3.2
Apparel & accessory stores	5,950	5,950	6,150	0	-200	-3.3
Furniture, home furnishings, & equipment stores	4,250	4,150	4,200	100	50	2.2
Eating & drinking places	42,650	41,800	41,900	850	750	1.8
Miscellaneous retail	11,350	11,450	11,850	-100	-500	-4.4
Drug stores & proprietary stores	3,400	3,400	3,500	0	-100	-3.6
Other miscellaneous retail (including liquor stores; sporting goods stores; jewelry; florists; etc.)	7,950	8,050	8,350	-100	-400	-4.8
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	42,400	42,800	40,950	-400	1,450	3.5
Banking	10,550	10,700	10,300	-150	250	2.6
Insurance	20,400	20,450	19,800	- 50	600	2.8
Real Estate	4,900	5,150	4,600	-250	300	7.1
Other finance, insurance, & real estate (including credit agencies other than banks; security & commodity exchange & services; etc.)	6,550	6,500	6,250	50	300	4.7
SERVICES EXCEPT DOMESTIC	120,550	119,300	116,650	1,250	3,900	3.3
Hotels, rooming houses, camps, & other lodging places	7,350	7,450	7,550	-100	-200	-2.8
Personal services	6,050	6,150	6,050	-100	0	0.2
Business services	18,100	18,000	18,050	100	50	0.2
Automotive repair, services, & garages	4,100	4,050	4,050	50	50	1.2
Amusement & recreation (including motion pictures)	7,850	7,850	7,400	0	450	6.5
Health services	42,350	42,400	39,750	- 50	2,600	6.6
Educational services	8,100	6,500	8,000	1,600	100	0.9
Social services	5,800	5,750	5,850	50	- 50	-0.4
Membership organizations	8,350	8,450	8,700	-100	-350	-4.2
Other services (including legal & other professional services; miscellaneous repair services; agricultural services; etc.)	12,500	12,700	11,250	-200	1,250	11.0
GOVERNMENT	124,550	119,600	126,100	4,950	- 1,550	-1.2
Federal	16,200	16,200	15,900	0	300	1.7
State	35,400	31,350	34,500	4,050	900	2.7
Local	72,950	72,050	75,700	900	- 2,750	-3.6

1/ Rounded to nearest 50, and subtotals may not add to totals due to rounding. Percent change based on unrounded data.
2/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
3/ Preliminary estimate. 4/ Revised.

NOTE: These estimates are based on March 1979 benchmark. All months are comparable.

SEPTEMBER 1980 IN REVIEW . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries increased by 5,150 from August 1980 to September 1980. Virtually all of this increase occurred in nonmanufacturing (5,100), with manufacturing registering only a very small gain of 50.

The increase of 50 in manufacturing occurred entirely in nondurable goods, and durable goods had no change month-to-month.

Month-to-month increases occurred in government (4,950), services (1,250), and trade (550). The primary increases in government and services represented the customary seasonal upswing in educational services. The largest gain in trade occurred in eating and drinking places (850).

Month-to-month losses occurred in construction/mining (1,100), finance-insurance-real estate (-400), and transportation-communication-real estate (-150).

ANNUAL CHANGES . . . . . .

Employment in Nebraska's nonagricultural industries dropped by 6,850 from September 1979 to September 1980. Over three-fourths of this decline occurred in manufacturing (-5,250), with the remainder in nonmanufacturing.

The decline of 5,250 in manufacturing employment occurred entirely in durable goods, as nondurable goods showed no change. Over three fourths of the reduction in manufacturing employment occurred in three categories: metals (-1,150), machinery except electrical (-1,400), and electrical and electronic machinery, equipment and supplies (-1,450).

Year-to-year increases occurred in services (3,900), and finance-insurance-real estate (1,450). The chief gainer in services was the health service field (2,600).

Year-to-year decreases occurred in construction/mining (-3,050), government (-1,550), transportation-communication-utilities (-1,250), and trade (-1,100). The major decrease in government was in local government (-2,750). A decline in railroad employment of 1,050 accounted for most of the drop in transportation-communication-utilities. The largest loss in trade occurred in general merchandise stores (-1,000).

OUTLOOK . . . . . .

Employment activity in November 1980 is projected to show customary seasonal reductions in construction/mining, manufacturing, service and agriculture. Construction/mining is expected to have a substantial drop, typical for this time of year. Manufacturing is anticipated to show a small dip, primarily in food processing. Services are expected to decrease slightly. Agricultural employment is expected to undergo the substantial reduction usual during late autumn. It is anticipated that trade will show a modest increase, reflecting the beginning of hiring activity for the holiday buying season. Employment levels are expected to remain relatively unchanged for transportation-communication-utilities, finance-insurance-real estate, and government.

WORKER SUPPLY AND EMPLOYER DEMAND - APPLICANTS AND NONAGRICULTURAL OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

SEPTEMBER 1980

		Available FY to date [2]	Active File	Nonag Job Openings Received FY to date [2]	Unfilled Total	Unfilled 30 days or more	Applicants/ Openings FY to date	Active File/ Unfilled Openings End-of-mo.	Unfilled Openings 30 days + % of total
TOTAL [3]		129,882	31,514	71,767	5,229	3,755	1.81	6.03	71.8
0 - 1	Professional, technical and managerial	13,717	3,865	5,204	1,673	1,459	2.64	2.31	87.2
2	Clerical and sales	32,704	8,058	15,856	1,847	1,396	2.06	4.36	75.6
	Entry codes [4]	7,044	1,409	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	20-24 Clerical	19,698	5,195	12,626	1,567	1,239	1.56	3.32	79.1
	25-29 Sales	5,962	1,454	3,230	280	157	1.85	5.19	56.1
3	Service	19,615	5,034	12,821	581	300	1.53	8.66	51.6
	Entry codes [4]	3,330	668	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	30 Domestic	1,269	295	2,314	38	18	0.55	7.76	47.4
	31-39 Other	15,016	4,071	10,507	543	282	1.43	7.50	51.9
4	Farm, forestry, fisheries	10,057	811	8,016	46	35	1.25	17.60	76.1
5	Processing	3,039	689	3,123	36	7	0.97	19.10	19.4
6	Machine trades	5,758	1,668	2,137	147	55	2.69	11.30	37.4
7	Bench work	5,788	1,752	1,835	89	40	3.15	19.70	44.9
8	Structural work	15,255	3,554	8,211	348	140	1.86	10.20	40.2
9	Miscellaneous	16,965	4,382	14,490	229	91	1.17	19.10	39.7
	Entry codes [4]	3,452	763	-----	-----	-----	----	----	----
	90-91 Motor freight transportation	5,886	1,535	5,627	109	32	1.05	14.10	29.4
	92 Packaging, materials handling	7,073	1,916	8,365	84	30	0.85	22.80	35.7
	93-97 Other [5]	554	168	498	36	29	1.11	4.67	80.6

1/ Source of data: ESARS (Employment Security Automated Reporting System).

2/ Period covered: 10-1-79 through 9-30-80. FY 1980 defined as 10-1-79 through 9-30-80.

3/ Total includes occupational codes not assigned.

4/ Applicants for whom a complete occupational code cannot be assigned because of lack of training/experience.

5/ Includes mining, logging, utilities, miscellaneous amusement and recreation, graphic art work.

JOB OPENINGS IN NEBRASKA JOB SERVICE OFFICES [1]

By Occupation

September 1980

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	OPENINGS AVAILABLE				OPENINGS UNFILLED AT MONTH END			
	NUMBER		AVERAGE PAY		TOTAL		UNFILLED 30 DAYS OR MORE	
	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH	CURRENT	LAST MONTH
TOTAL, ALL OCCUPATIONS	3,688	5,205	$8,850/yr	$8,778/yr	2,407	2,520	1,316	786
Professional, Technical, and Managerial	679	736	11,123/yr	11,140/yr	591	551	381	234
Clerical and Sales	1,171	1,613	7,720/yr	7,632/yr	891	927	553	207
Service	546	829	3.51/hr	3.46/hr	300	372	149	135
Farming, Fishery, Forestry, and related	68	91	3.72/hr	3.80/hr	23	27	8	14
Processing	113	231	4.72/hr	5.09/hr	30	27	3	14
Machine Trades	183	274	4.99/hr	4.98/hr	135	120	51	40
Bench Work	160	193	3.74/hr	3.62/hr	88	75	39	38
Structural Work	477	694	4.56/hr	4.62/hr	244	257	103	63
Miscellaneous	291	544	4.45/hr	4.48/hr	105	164	29	41

1/ Source of data: Job Bank data from Nebraska Job Service offices.

ESTIMATES OF HOURS AND EARNINGS IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING [1]

September 1980

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Sep 1980 [2]	Aug 1980 [3]	Sep 1979 [3]	Sep 1980 [2]	Aug 1980 [3]	Sep 1979 [3]	Sep 1980 [2]	Aug 1980 [3]	Sep 1979 [3]
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	$311.25	$303.40	$279.71	40.9	40.4	41.5	$7.61	$7.51	$6.74
Durable goods	305.37	289.02	277.13	41.1	39.7	41.8	7.43	7.28	6.63
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	272.16	249.67	239.36	43.2	40.4	41.7	6.30	6.18	5.74
Primary and fabricated metals	320.40	299.44	268.27	40.0	38.0	40.1	8.01	7.88	6.69
Machinery and transportation equipment	329.96	311.98	306.31	41.4	40.1	42.9	7.97	7.78	7.14
Nondurable goods	318.24	318.53	281.95	40.8	41.1	41.1	7.80	7.75	6.86
Food and kindred products	346.53	353.93	307.84	41.7	42.9	41.6	8.31	8.25	7.40
Meat products	375.65	377.78	333.60	41.1	42.4	41.7	9.14	8.91	8.00
Dairy products	215.27	213.16	196.18	37.7	37.2	36.6	5.71	5.73	5.36
Grain mill products	422.50	436.68	356.62	48.9	48.9	46.8	8.64	8.93	7.62
Bakery products	247.70	256.48	236.22	33.7	34.8	35.1	7.35	7.37	6.73
Other food and kindred products	240.56	260.53	224.85	39.5	42.5	38.7	6.09	6.13	5.81
Printing and publishing	274.06	266.70	263.08	38.6	38.1	41.3	7.10	7.00	6.37
Chemicals and allied products	322.71	308.67	282.05	46.3	44.8	42.8	6.97	6.89	6.59

1/ Source of data: Current Employment Statistics Program.
2/ Preliminary.
3/ Revised.

Average weekly earnings in Nebraska manufacturing increased by $7.85 from August 1980 to September 1980. This included a strong gain of $16.35 in durable goods, along with a slight dip of $.29 in nondurable goods.
Year-to-year, average weekly earnings increased by $31.54, including a gain of $28.24 in durable goods, and a rise of $36.29 in nondurable goods.

Average weekly hours increased by 0.5 hours from August 1980 to September 1980, but dropped by 0.6 hours from September 1979 to September 1980.

Average hourly earnings increased by $.10 month-to-month, and also increased by $.87 year-to-year.

ESTIMATES OF ACCESSION AND SEPARATION RATES IN NEBRASKA MANUFACTURING 1/

(Per 1,000 Workers)

AUGUST 1980

	ACCESSION RATES						SEPARATION RATES								
	Total			New Hires			Total			Quits			Layoffs		
	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979	Aug 2/ 1980	Jul 3/ 1980	Aug 3/ 1979
MANUFACTURING - TOTAL	34	26	49	24	18	45	44	32	63	29	17	50	9	10	4
Durable goods	33	21	49	21	12	45	47	33	63	27	14	50	14	13	4
Lumber, stone, clay, glass products	56	33	68	50	23	67	83	84	110	54	21	83	23	4	10
Furniture and fixtures	40	7	81	39	7	81	35	26	78	25	19	62	6	4/	4/
Primary and fabricated metals	32	19	52	13	7	43	57	33	63	23	12	44	26	16	11
Machinery and trans. equipment	24	16	41	10	6	38	35	34	52	19	12	44	10	18	4/
Other durable goods	61	45	53	55	39	50	65	32	60	51	26	51	5	2	1
Nondurable goods	35	32	50	28	25	45	41	30	64	32	19	51	4	6	5
Food and kindred products	35	36	49	31	33	43	44	29	58	37	20	50	2	3	2
Meat products	35	36	49	33	34	40	43	22	52	36	17	44	2	4/	1
Dairy products	26	23	27	26	23	27	29	24	50	29	21	42	4/	3	3
Grain mill products	26	21	34	14	19	33	35	33	50	28	15	44	2	11	1
Bakery products	46	55	51	35	49	47	74	41	81	62	27	63	3	7	2
Other food and kindred products	48	50	78	45	43	73	55	46	82	48	32	72	1	2	4
Textiles and apparel	44	38	77	36	27	75	64	54	70	52	39	63	8	9	4/
Paper and allied products	52	20	50	23	20	47	37	48	51	15	16	42	19	26	4/
Printing and publishing	34	18	51	32	16	48	37	23	65	27	18	58	5	2	2
Chemicals and allied products	9	9	18	8	9	16	17	9	36	9	4	24	4/	2	5
Petroleum, rubber, plastic products and leather	40	47	54	8	6	51	40	46	101	15	12	54	15	25	26

1/ Source of data: Labor Turnover Program.

NOTE: Accessions other than new hires, and separations other than quits and layoffs are not shown separately, but are included in the appropriate totals.

2/ Preliminary. 3/ Revised. 4/ Less than one-half.

Accessions in Nebraska manufacturing increased from 26 per 1,000 workers in July 1980 to 34 per 1,000 workers in August 1980. During that period, durable goods increased from 21 per 1,000 to 33 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also increased slightly from 32 per 1,000 to 35 per 1,000.
Year-to-year, accessions dropped from 49 per 1,000 to 34 per 1,000. Durable goods dropped from 49 per 1,000 to 33 per 1,000, and nondurable goods also declined from 50 per 1,000 to 35 per 1,000.
Separations increased month-to-month from 32 per 1,000 to 44 per 1,000, included durable goods increasing from 33 per 1,000 to 47 per 1,000 and nondurable goods also gaining from 30 per 1,000 to 41 per 1,000.
Year-to-year, separations dropped from 63 per 1,000 to 44 per 1,000, including a drop in durable goods from 63 per 1,000 to 47 per 1,000, and also a decline in nondurable goods from 64 per 1,000 to 41 per 1,000.
Layoffs dipped month-to-month from 10 per 1,000 to 9 per 1,000, but showed an increase year-to-year from 4 per 1,000 to 9 per 1,000.

SELECTED UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACTIVITIES

SEPTEMBER 1980

	September 1980	August 1980	September 1979
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE (STATE UI)			
CLAIMS RECEIVED - AREA CLAIMS CENTERS			
Initial Claims	5,294	5,297	3,037
Weeks claimed	44,774	45,529	16,270
BENEFIT ACTIVITIES			
Payments from UI funds	$3,438,785	$3,458,227	$1,144,833
Calendar year to date	$35,789,536	$32,350,751	$19,392,056
Average size of weekly payments	$ 89.41	$ 88.69	$ 85.31
First payments	2,721	3,219	1,256
Exhaustions	1,170	1,057	384
Individuals who drew benefits	12,763	14,021	5,215
Rate of insured unemployment	1.6	1.9	0.8
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (UCFE)			
Payments from UCFE funds	$ 97,204	$ 80,791	$ 42,493
Average size of weekly payments	$ 75.06	$ 74.39	$ 75.61
First payments	53	57	36
Exhaustions	27	15	15
UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FOR EX-SERVICEMEN (UCX)			
Payments from UCX funds	$ 42,682	$ 41,719	$ 12,147
Average size of weekly payments	$ 86.23	$ 85.49	$ 88.02
First payments	53	57	36
Exhaustions	7	4	2
COVERAGE AND CONTRIBUTIONS			
Subject employers - end of month	36,403	36,237	36,684
Contributions received	$ 435,302	$ 6,621,877	$ 121,656
FINANCIAL DATA			
End of month fund balance	$80,333,006	$84,374,961	$77,776,914

Extended Benefits commenced retroactive to July 20, 1980. The state had paid 16,432 weeks for a total of 1.4 million dollars by September 30, 1980.

UI Initial Claims received in area claims centers decreased from 5,297 in August compared to 5,294 in September 1980. Weeks claimed decreased from 45,529 in August to 44,774 in September 1980.

UI benefit payments decreased from 3.5 million in August to 3.4 million in September 1980.

The number of insured unemployed decreased from 11,619 in August to 9,434 in September 1980. The rate of insured unemployment decreased from 1.9% in August to 1.6% in September 1980.

The year-to-date contributions stood at 31.2 million compared to 27.5 million one year ago.

The fund balance stood at 80.3 million compared to 77.8 million one year ago.

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CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED 1/

September 1980

	Amount	Percent of Total
SEX:		
Male	6,021	56.0
Female	4,732	44.0
RACE/ETHNIC:		
White	9,464	88.0
All other races	1,289	12.0
AGE:		
Under 22	1,429	13.3
22 - 44	6,844	63.7
45 and over	2,480	23.0
WEEKS UNEMPLOYED:		
4 or less	4,279	39.8
5 - 14	4,909	45.7
15 and over	1,565	14.5

	Amount	Percent of Total
OCCUPATION:		
Professional, technical and managerial	1,682	15.6
Clerical and Sales	2,172	20.2
Services	1,063	9.9
Farm and Related	91	0.8
Processing	408	3.8
Machine Trades	828	7.7
Bench Work	1,050	9.8
Structural Work	1,937	18.0
Miscellaneous	1,522	14.2
INDUSTRY:		
Construction and Mining	1,358	12.6
Manufacturing	3,593	33.4
Durable Goods	2,319	21.6
Nondurable Goods	1,274	11.8
Transportation, Communication and Utilities	403	3.7
Trade (wholesale & retail)	2,042	19.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	285	2.7
Services	1,790	16.6
Government	382	3.6
Other	900	8.4

1/ Source of data: Percentages computed from a count of all insured unemployed claimants filing at the Nebraska UI Area Claims Centers for a one-week period including the 19th of the month. The insured claimant count for September 1980 was 10,753.

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THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Facts About the Consumer Price Index

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a statistical measure of change, over time, in the prices of goods and services in major expenditure groups - such as food and beverages, housing, apparel, transportation, medical care, and entertainment - typically purchased by urban consumers. It measures the change in prices by comparing what a sample "market basket" of goods and services cost today with what the same sample market basket cost at an earlier date.

The CPI for All Urban Consumers covers about 80 percent of the total noninstitutional population. It includes, in addition to wage earners and clerical workers, groups which historically have been excluded from CPI coverage - salaried workers, the self-employed, retirees, and the unemployed.

The CPI for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers covers about 40 percent of the total noninstitutional population.

U.S. CITY AVERAGE

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, SEPTEMBER 1980

	ALL URBAN CONSUMERS (CPI-U)			WAGE EARNERS AND CLERICAL WORKERS (CPI-W)		
	INDEX 1967=100	Percent Change From 1 Month Ago	Percent Change From 1 Year Ago	INDEX 1967=100	Percent Change From 1 Month Ago	Percent Change From 1 Year Ago
ALL ITEMS	251.7	0.9	12.7	251.9	0.9	12.6
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	254.2	0.9	10.0	255.1	1.0	10.3
Food	261.1	0.9	10.1	261.9	1.0	10.4
Food at home	258.9	1.0	10.3	258.6	1.2	10.4
Cereals & bakery products	250.3	0.4	10.9	251.1	0.6	10.8
Meats, poultry, fish, & eggs	251.8	2.6	9.0	251.2	2.8	9.0
Dairy products	230.6	0.4	9.1	230.9	0.4	8.9
Fruits and vegetables	257.4	-0.4	11.0	255.8	-0.3	11.4
Other foods at home	309.2	0.5	12.0	309.1	0.6	12.5
Food away from home	271.4	0.7	9.6	274.9	0.8	10.3
Alcoholic beverages	189.6	0.5	8.8	191.7	0.6	9.6
HOUSING	267.7	0.7	14.1	267.6	0.7	14.1
Shelter	285.3	0.7	15.3	286.8	0.7	15.6
Rent (residential)	195.1	1.0	9.0	194.8	0.9	8.9
Other rental costs	268.9	0.5	12.4	268.6	0.5	12.6
Homeownership	317.6	0.7	16.8	320.2	0.7	17.2
Fuel and other utilities	288.2	0.5	14.7	288.7	0.5	14.7
Fuels	364.5	0.6	18.9	363.8	0.5	18.7
Fuel oil, coal, & bottled gas	561.5	-0-	21.6	562.9	-0-	21.7
Gas (piped) & electricity	318.4	0.7	17.9	317.4	0.6	17.6
Household furnishings & operation	209.2	1.0	8.8	206.0	0.7	8.1
APPAREL AND UPKEEP	182.2	2.0	7.3	181.4	2.0	7.1
Men's & boys' apparel	171.7	2.3	5.5	171.6	1.9	5.1
Women's & girls' apparel	159.0	3.4	2.0	159.8	3.7	3.5
Footwear	193.2	1.5	7.3	193.3	1.7	7.7
TRANSPORTATION	254.7	0.8	15.0	255.2	0.7	14.7
Private transportation	253.2	0.6	14.1	254.1	0.6	14.1
Public transportation	271.0	3.6	32.1	264.4	2.9	29.5
MEDICAL CARE	270.6	0.8	11.0	272.2	0.8	11.2
Medical care services	292.3	0.9	11.2	294.3	0.9	11.6
ENTERTAINMENT	209.8	0.9	9.8	208.1	1.2	9.4
OTHER GOODS AND SERVICES	220.6	2.8	9.4	219.0	2.3	9.2
. ALL ITEMS (1957-59=100)	292.7			292.9		

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